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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.56, applicants submit the documents attached hereto. Pursuant to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, OG Notice 05 August 2003, applicants have excluded copies of the five (5) U.S. patent documents. All documents are to be made of record in the above-identified case. A listing of said documents on form PTO-1449 is also attached.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith. Authorization to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for such filing can be found in the attached Transmittal Letter.

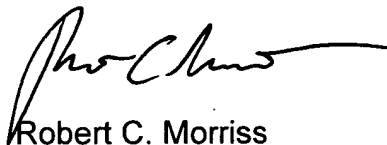
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Both the Hongjie et al. and Qinglin et al. references have been submitted in Chinese. An English language translation of the Hongjie et al. article has also been submitted. Applicants submit that the two articles are reviews of the prior art at the time they were published and that the information contained in the Qinglin et al. reference is merely redundant to and contained within the Hongjie reference.

This Statement is not intended to represent that no better art exists. Applicants reserve the right to contest the applicability of the documents attached hereto as prior art in the event that any information is discovered which demonstrates that said documents do not qualify as prior art.

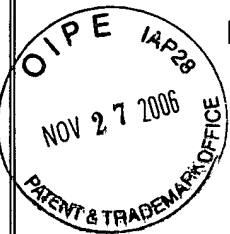
Consideration of the present Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested. The claimed invention is, however, deemed to represent a patentable departure from the teachings of the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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